# Heroes of Faith – Samuel Hebrews 11:32-34; 1 Samuel 7:12; Samuel 3:10; 1 Samuel 12:20–22

## **Overview of Study**

Samuel was the final judge of Israel, a prophet who faithfully bridged the nation from a theocracy to a monarchy. From birth to death, he lived in service to God—trusting Him completely, standing firm when others turned away, and reminding Israel that God never fails. His life calls us to remember how far God has brought us and to keep moving forward in faith.

## **Key Points**

- God Is in Charge Samuel believed Israel's true King was God, not men or kings.
- Remember God's Faithfulness The Ebenezer Stone declared, "The Lord has taken us this far."
- **Follow God, Not the Crowd** Samuel stood firm when Eli's sons, his own sons, and the nation turned away.
- **God Never Fails** Even when people disappointed him, God's promises never failed.

#### **Reflective Questions**

- 1. Where can you see an "Ebenezer Stone" moment in your life—proof of God's faithfulness?
- When have you had to follow God's way instead of popular opinion?
- 3. In what area are you tempted to trust people more than God?
- 4. How does remembering God's past help you trust Him with the unknown ahead?

## **Action Steps**

- Remember: Write down three times God has brought you through a challenge.
- **Recommit**: Choose one habit this week that shows you trust God's leadership over human approval.
- **Encourage**: Share a testimony of God's faithfulness with someone who needs hope.

### Conclusion

Samuel's life shouts a timeless truth: *God has taken you this far, and He will take you further.* Even when others fail or circumstances shift, the Lord remains faithful. Set up your own "Ebenezer Stone" of remembrance this week and keep stepping forward in faith.